

WE CLAIM:

1. A method of bringing about sedation and/or analgesia in a ^{small} mammal which comprises administering to such mammal ^{by injection} an effective amount of 4[(α -methyl)2,3-dimethylbenzyl]-imidazole.

2. A method according to claim 1 in which the said mammal is a dog, cat, guinea pig or rabbit.

3. A method according to claim ¹~~2~~ in which a sedative effect is produced in a dog or cat by administration by injection of a dosage of 10 to 100 μ g/kg.

4. A method according to claim 2 in which a sedative effect is produced in a guinea pig or rabbit by administration by injection of 200 to 400 μ g/kg.

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